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SUBJECT: MONTERO CALL

- 1. DURING A SHORT VISIT THIS MORNING ADM MONTERO EXPRESSED:
- A) HIS GREAT APPRECIATION FOR THE WAY THAT THE U.S. GOVT HAD MAINTAINED RELATIONS BETWEEN USN AND CHILEAN NAVY THROUGHOUT HIS TOUR AS CINC; B) HIS PRIDE IN FACT THAT HE AND CHILEAN NAVY HAS USCCESSFULY RESISTED REORIENTATION OF CHILE'S RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER POWERS; AND C) THAT HE LOOKED BACK ON HIS TIME AS CINC WITH A CLEAR CONSCIENCE THAT HE HAD DONE THE BEST HE COULD AND WAS CONFIDENT THAT THE CLOSE TIES THAT HAD SUCCESSFULLY BEEN MAINTAINED WOULD CONTINUE IN THE FUTURE BETWEEN CHILEAN AND U.S. NAVIES.
- 2. HE ALSO EXPRESSED GRATITUDE FOR FRIENDSHIP ADM ZUMWALT HAD EXTENDED HIM AND RELATIONSHIP THAT THEY HAD BEEN ABLE TO MAINTAIN DURING THIS TIME. HE STATED THAT ADM ZUMWALT'S FRIENDSHIP AND SUPPORT WERE EXTREMELY VALUABLE TO HIM DURING THIS WHOLE PERIOD.
- 3. AS FOR HIS PERSONAL PLANS, HE INTENDS TO REMAIN IN SANTIAGO FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE MONTH AND THEN RETURN TO VINA DEL MAR, CONFIDENTIAL

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WHERE HE WILL DEDICATE HIMSELF TO STUDY. FINALLY ADM MONTERO

OFFERED HIS SERVICES IF HE COULD BE HELPFUL AS HE STILL MAINTAINS A CERTAIN INFLUENCE IN NAVAL CIRCLES.

4. I EXPRESSED MY PERSONAL FRIENDSHIP FOR ADM MONTERO AND MY APPRECIATION FOR HIS SERVICE AS CINC. DAVIS

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